GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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LICENSING FOR IMPORT OF SUGAR
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have made licence compulsory for the import of sugar of all grades;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof and the grade of sugar which can be imported freely?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a),(b)&(c): The import of sugar as classified under chapter 14 of ITC (HS) classification is free.However, the import contracts for sugar are to be compulsorily registered with Agricultural and Processed Food Products Exports Development Authority (APEDA). Further, free importability of sugar under EXIM policy is subject to compliance of all other applicable domestic laws.